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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**  
**A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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Sir:

This amendment is a submission enclosed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), in form PTO/SB/30EFS, which further authorizes the Director to charge to a Deposit Account maintained in the name of an assignee of this application the RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) which is due as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed. These documents are timely filed.